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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of  
Inventor: Akihiro Tatsuta, Shotaro Tanaka, Koji Arii  
For: SIGNAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, TRANSMISSION DEVICE, RECEPTION DEVICE,  
SIGNAL DISTRIBUTION METHOD, TRANSMISSION METHOD, RECEPTION METHOD,  
MEDIUM AND INFORMATION ASSEMBLY

Enclosed are (in addition to the specification):

- ☒ 3 sheets of drawing.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney (UNEXECUTED).
- ☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status.
- ☒ Claim to Right of Priority w/certified copy of Japanese application no(s). 2000-266693.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.

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FOR:	No. Filed	No. Extra
Basic Fee		
Total Claims	31 -20=	11
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**SMALL ENTITY**

Rate	Fee
	\$355
x \$9	\$
x \$40	\$
+ \$135	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

**OTHER THAN A  
SMALL ENTITY**

OR	Rate	Fee
OR		\$ 710
OR	x \$18	\$ 198
OR	x \$80	\$ 400
OR	+ \$270	\$ 270
OR	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1578</b>

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